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Remarks

The Examiner finally rejected claims 1-4, 7, 9, 15 and 16. The Examiner objected to claims 5,6,8, 10-14, 17 and 18. Further to the Examiners indication in the Official Action dated March 14, 2006 (section 9 of page 4) that claim 18 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 18 and claim 18 has been canceled. As the remaining rejected claims 2-17 depend upon claim 1, these claims each should now also be in allowable form.

Having obviated each of the Examiners rejections, applicant respectfully requests that a notice of allowance be issued. Should the Examiner be inclined to issue an Official Action other than the notice of allowance, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner first contact Applicant by telephone at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted.

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